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NEWS ITEMS

On account of the interest attaching to the man about whom Dr. Harshberger has written the first article in this issue of *TORREYA* we are glad to mention that a facsimile reprint of the only American copy of his "Catalogue d'Arbes, Arbustes et Plantes Herbacees d'Amerique" has been issued. This catalog was reviewed in a recent issue of *TORREYA* and may be purchased from S. N. Rhoades, 920 Walnut Street, Philadelphia.

At the meeting to commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the New York Academy of Sciences, held Monday evening, May 28, Dr. N. L. Britton spoke on the Academy's exploration of Porto Rico, and Dr. J. Hendley Barnhart gave a summary of the last hundred years of the work of the Academy. The President, Dr. M. I. Pupin, spoke on the help that science could give the nation to win the war.